Congratulations To Mishicot

This weekend Mishicot will celebrate its centennial. Not only village residents but also citizens of the whole county will join in doing honor to the community, first settled by Daniel Smith in 1844—a community which is one of the most prosperous and thriving in Manitowoc county.

Mishicot, meaning "hairy legs" named for the old Ottawa Indian chief Mishicott, whose territory extended over the Twin river area, is another demonstration of the "melting pot" tradition of Wisconsin communities. Early settlers included mostly German and Saxon immigrants and a few northeast Yankees but nearly without exception they mingled with each other in business and social life and from the start established a reputation for congeniality for which the village is noted.

Only one historical note indicates so much as a hint of disagreement among the friendly villagers. In 1853 the town changed its name to Saxonburgh because of the 15 Saxon families residing there. The following year, however, residents changed back to the original name.

Mishicot, as a representative Manitowoc county community, is symbolic of most of the people, society and institutions of the whole county. It is an attractive little community in which its residents take great pride. Located on a stream in rolling hills, it is amply provided with a setting of natural beauty, which villagers have enhanced with their contributions of artificial landscaping within the town.

As are most rural, county settlements, Mishicot is prosperous and growing. Its residents, as a segment of population, are invariably thrifty and hard-working, bringing to themselves and the community a look of physical well-being and contentment, expressive of the inner qualities of the villagers.

As Mishicot, for two days, observes in a spirit of festivity and well-founded pride, the hundredth anniversary of its founding, we are certain every community in the county wishes its residents well. We feel sure every person in Manitowoc county feels proud of the village and extends, along with the Herald-Times, all best wishes for a happy and successful celebration and an equally happy and successful start on the next hundred years.